

Subject Line: "California E-Waste Updates: Implementing the Electronic Waste Recycling Act"

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Dear Electronic Waste Stakeholder:

This electronic newsletter is an update on the implementation of California's Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003 and other electronic waste (e-waste) management developments in California.

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The CalRecycle covered electronic waste (CEW) recycling program has posted for public review a proposal to reduce the covered electronic waste recycling fee (fee) charged on the sale of new covered electronic devices. Revenues from the fee are used to fund the operation of California's CEW recycling payment system. Because revenue from the fee has been running ahead of expenditure demands, the electronic waste recovery and recycling account (EWRRA) is currently holding a substantial fund reserve. The proposed reduction would reduce the fee levels back to those initially established by the Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003.

Pursuant to statute, CalRecycle must decide prior to August 1st how to restructure the fee levels to maintain appropriate and adequate funding in the EWRRA. Any changes would take effect on January 1, 2011.

An opportunity to comment of the proposed fee levels will occur at the Materials Management and Local Assistance (MMLA) program's regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, July 14, 2010.

Proposed fee adjustment notice can be found at:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=224&aiid=225>

Information on the July MMLA meeting can be found at:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Actions/PublicNoticeDetail.aspx?id=207&aiid=213>

Other Resources:

CalRecycle CEW Program Information:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Electronics/Act2003/>

CEW Payment System Regulations:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Laws/Regulations/Title14/Chap08pt2/default.htm>

Public Resources Code (PRC), Health and Safety Code (HSC), and other statutes:

<http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html>

DTSC Universal Waste Electronics Handler Information:

<http://www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/EWaste/>

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Please note that e-mail correspondence with the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) related to e-waste management in general, and implementation of the Electronic Waste Recycling Act in particular, should be directed to ewaste@calrecycle.ca.gov

Also note that an archive of past distributions of this newsletter is available at:

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/Electronics/Act2003/Stakeholder/Updates/>

Thank you for your interest in shaping California's e-waste management future.

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